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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer *aa*

RE: Site Inspection, Wind River Resources, State Section 13 Mine, S/019/041, Grand County, Utah

Date of Inspection: May 5, 1997  
Time of Inspection: 1450 - 1530  
Conditions: Overcast, warm  
Participants: Ron Pene, Operator; Will Stokes, SITLA; Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To examine the site while in the area

We first met Mr. Pene along the Grand County Road. We stopped to look at some of the maps and he explained the general work proposal or the general location. We turned off of Grand County Road 1109, the road commonly used by Mountain Island Ranch, onto an existing road which dropped down into the state lease.

At the time of this inspection there was a small camp trailer, backhoe, and a flat bed trailer with a trommel screen system at the mine site. Mr. Pene indicated that the trailer had recently been vandalized by some unknown party. We then walked from this general area to the pond and excavation site. At this time there were cattle near the pond and excavation area. There is a fence along part of the lease area that is believed to have been installed by Mountain Island Ranch, although this is unknown at this time. There was a small amount of water running down the creek bed and into the pond.

Photographs were taken of the areas visited. In particular, the photographs show a small excavation at the north end of a bank. Estimated volume of material removed was on the order of a cubic yard. Mr. Pene informed us that he does not plan to continue any work at this same area. He wishes to move to a site further up the stream channel and work on the graveled knoll. The knoll would be excavated and run through a separating system using water. The water would then go into a pond for reuse or recirculation. The water would be pumped from the Colorado River up into the holding pond until it is used in the separation. The general plan is to create a trench like excavation along the bench and create piles of two different sizes of separated cobbles. Mr. Pene indicated that at some point he intends to perform concurrent reclamation of the trench behind as the gravels are separated.

At this time there was no disturbance in the proposed area. Cattle were roaming through this proposed area as well.

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cc: Will Stokes, SITLA  
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